

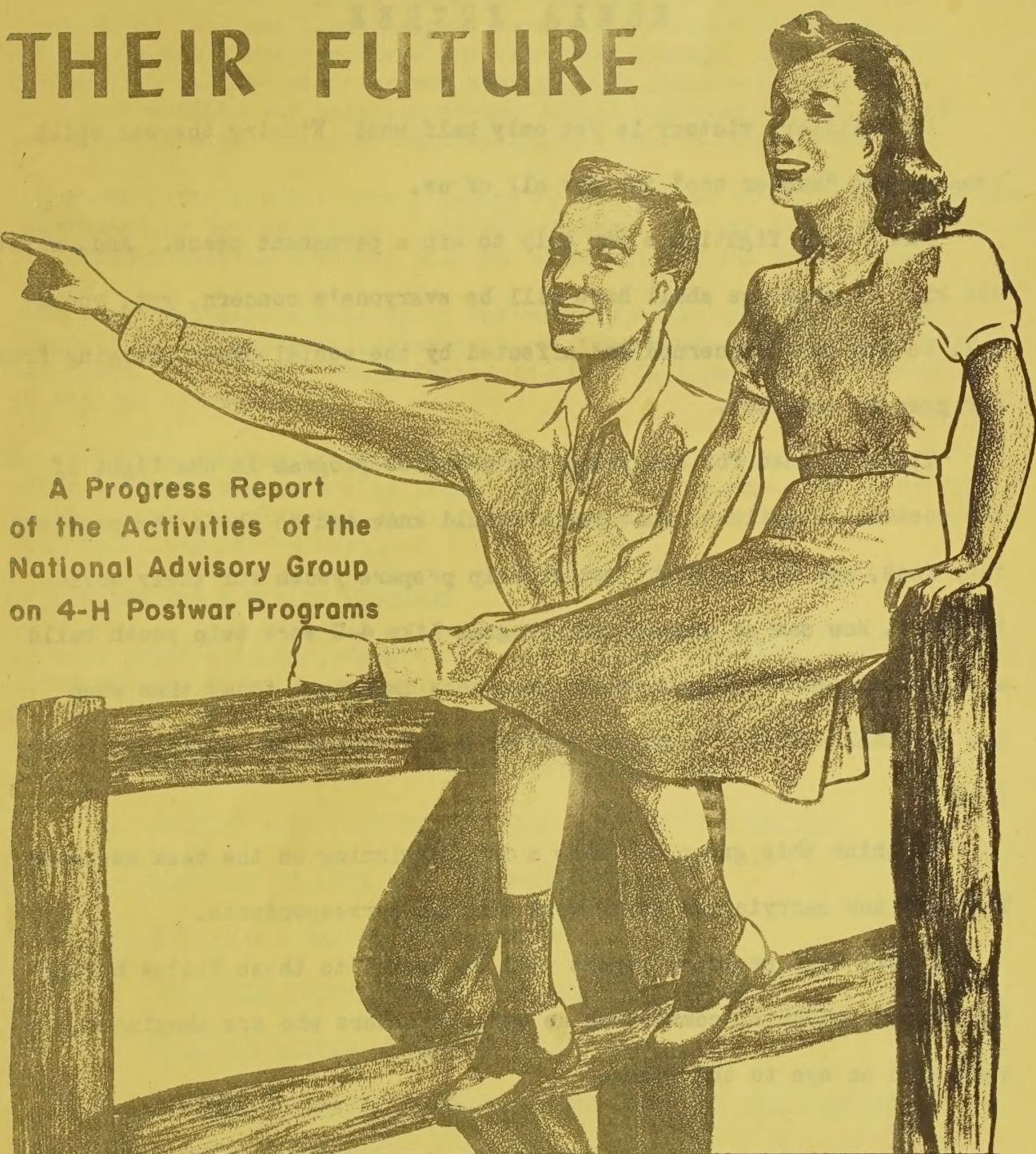
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10,000,000 Youth

Let's help them plan

THEIR FUTURE



A Progress Report
of the Activities of the
National Advisory Group
on 4-H Postwar Programs

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Our military victory is yet only half won! Winning the war still remains the "number one" job for all of us.

But we are fighting a war only to win a permanent peace. And, while the kind of peace we shall have will be everyone's concern, yet, youth will be the most concerned and affected by the social order emerging from our present conflict.

There is need for analyzing the 4-H Club program in the light of the postwar situations, what youth should know and do about the problems they face, and how we might better help prepare youth for their world. In short, how can an educational program like 4-H work help youth build a permanent peace? This need is even more important today than when the National Advisory Group on Postwar 4-H Programs was organized last fall.

We think this group has made a fine beginning on the task assigned. They are now carrying on their work through correspondence.

I hope this progress report will be useful to those States having 4-H Postwar planning committees as well as others who are shaping their work with an eye to the future.

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THE 4-H CHALLENGE AHEAD*

Only a great people make a great nation, and truly tomorrow's world will need not only great leaders but great followers as well. Great in being equipped to farm our lands properly--work its mines--strengthen our homes--use our money--conserve our resources wisely. And great too in living with others--planning and sharing with others--building communities--guiding our policies toward higher achievements and social betterment for all mankind--and taking part in its fulfillment.

All other plans for the future depend on the wisdom of the leadership and understanding by the people. And before there is time for many improvements, the great people of tomorrow will be those who are the youth today.

Such great people are made up of individuals--each with his own high aspirations and hopes of achievement--of importance--of security--of happiness. To prepare youth for their place in a more perfect America is the job of education.

The 4-H Club program proudly takes its place with others in helping to carry out the responsibility that education must assume. To serve rural America particularly--but looking to all youth eventually--is the double responsibility of 4-H work.

GUIDEPOSTS FOR 4-H CLUB PROGRAMS.

To help prepare tomorrow's citizens, physically, mentally, and spiritually, 4-H Club work provides opportunities for voluntary participation in programs, built on needs and interests, through which youth are:

- I. DEVELOPING TALENTS FOR GREATER USEFULNESS.
- II. JOINING WITH FRIENDS FOR WORK, FUN, AND FELLOWSHIP.
- III. LEARNING TO LIVE IN A CHANGING WORLD.
- IV. CHOOSING A WAY TO EARN A LIVING.
- V. PRODUCING FOOD AND FIBER FOR HOME AND MARKET.
- VI. CREATING BETTER HOMES FOR BETTER LIVING.
- VII. CONSERVING NATURE'S RESOURCES FOR SECURITY AND HAPPINESS.
- VIII. BUILDING HEALTH FOR A STRONG AMERICA.
- IX. SHARING RESPONSIBILITIES FOR COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT.
- X. SERVING AS CITIZENS IN MAINTAINING WORLD PEACE.

